



International Symposium: Galapagos – Israel
Sustainability in the Galapagos Islands: 21st Century and Beyond
Simposio internacional: Galápagos - Israel
Sostenibilidad en las Islas Galápagos: siglo 21 y más allá

AGENDA

On the morning of Monday, March 7, the authorities of the organizing institutions (CDF, DGNP and ABG) welcomed the participants and thanked all the local, national and international experts for their participation. In addition, the objectives and importance of the activity were presented by the Ambassador of Ecuador to Israel, Hellen Deller Klein, and the Ambassador of Israel to Ecuador, Zeev Harel. Afterwards, presentations were given by experts and scientists from the Galapagos National Park Directorate, the Ministry of Environmental Protection of Israel, the Hebrew University and the Charles Darwin Foundation on topics related to evolution, the environment, genetics, climate change, food security, invasive species, sustainability, etc.

On Monday afternoon, researchers from the Agency for Regulation and Control of Biosecurity and Quarantine for Galapagos, Tel Aviv University, Haifa University, Bar Ilan University and the CDF had the opportunity to present the different topics of study on which they are focused. The day ended with a tour of the Charles Darwin Research Station by our principal investigator for Marine Invasive Species, Inti Keith.

On the second day of the symposium **in the morning**, Tel Aviv University, San Francisco de Quito University, Bar Ilan University, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Haifa University, the Technion Institute of Technology of Israel, the Israel Geographical Institute and CDF shared with the participants presentations on the progress of their scientific research.

Finally, **in the afternoon**, working groups were formed to reflect on the lessons learned and conclusions of the two-day symposium.

The event in Puerto Ayora was closed by the Santa Cruz Mayor, Ángel Yáñez; Rakan Zahawi, Executive Director of the Charles Darwin Foundation; Marilyn Cruz, Executive Director of the Agency for Regulation and Control of Biosecurity and Quarantine for Galapagos; and Danny Rueda, Director of the Galapagos National Park.